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SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

File No.

REPORT

Date.

Station, 8608
No. 51
31-1941

Subject (in full) Mrs. J. J. Rossling - ...

Made by S.S.I. Prokofiev. Forwarded by S.I. ...

STATIONER ROSSLING, 1941-42 concerning
Mrs. J. J. Rossling, inquiries show that this lady
is at present residing at 841 Scott Avenue, Apt. 102
in Apt. 102, Apt. 102.

A. Prokofiev
S. S. I.

S. S. I. (Special Branch).



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SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

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B. D.

Section 1, Special Branch
REPORT

Date November 8, 1940

Subject Communication dated 25.10.40 from the British Consulate-General concerning Mrs. Galina P. Rosling.

Made by D.S.I. Prokofiev. Forwarded by D.I. Crawford.

Inquiries show that Mrs Galina P. ROSLING resided at 101 Route Vallon from 16.5.40 to 31.10.40 when she removed to another address, which has so far not been ascertained.

Some of her belongings are still at 101 Route Vallon, so that she is bound to call for them shortly. The landlord has been approached in a discreet manner with the request to obtain from Mrs Rosling her present address.

This matter will be kept in view and as soon as this person's whereabouts are ascertained, a report will be submitted.

A. Prokofiev
D.S.I.

D. C. (Crime & Special Branches).

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BRITISH CONSULATE-GENERAL
SHANGHAI.

29th October 1940.

Dear Mr. Robertson,

Your letter D. 8608 of the 3rd April 1940.

I should be grateful if you could ascertain
by discreet inquiries whether Mrs. Galina ROSLING is
still living at Apartment 5, No.101 Route Vallon, Shanghai.

I don't want to see the lady, who is the most
insistent and almost the most unintelligible talker I've
met.

Many thanks for your kindness in keeping me
informed on these matters.

Yours sincerely,



Passport Control Officer.

H. D. M. Robertson, Esquire,
Assistant Commissioner,
Shanghai Municipal Police,
SHANGHAI.

D. S. J. Prokofiev
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No. S. B. D. 8608

Date 11 40

June 16-th 1940.

Chief of the Police.
Shanghai.

Dear Sir,

I have heard that the police has been making inquiries about me as it seems - that my husband Arthur Rosling had informed it that I was a Soviet spy.

I want to tell you that I have nothing to do with any espionage work and am ready to answer any questions asked.

Sincerely yours

Galina Rosling

Galina Rosling.

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D.S.C, Special Branch, xxx,

REPORT

Date April 22, 1940.

Subject (in full) Mrs. G. ROSLING - Present address.

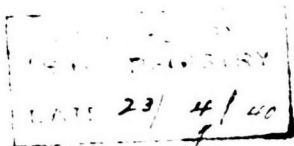
Made by D.S. Hocking

Forwarded by Supt. Mason.

Mrs. Galina ROSLING, British by marriage, recently reported from the U.S.A. and a passenger aboard the S.S. "President Cleveland" which arrived here on 13-4-40, is at present residing at 840 Weihaiwei Road.

D. S. Hocking
D. S.

D.C. (Special Branch).



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D.S.C. Special Branch

REPORT

Date Nov 13, 1940

Subject: (full)

Mrs. G. P. ROSLING - Movements

Made by D.S.I. Wittinsky,

Forwarded by

Supt. Mason.

With reference to the attached letter from the British Consulate-General addressed to Mr. Yorke, D. .(Special Branch), dated 2-4-40, I beg to report, that Mrs. G. Rosling arrived in Shanghai aboard the s.s. "President Cleveland" on the 13-4-40. Her present address here is unknown.

D. S. I.
D. S. I.

D.C. (Special Branch).

Copy sent to Mr. Cox

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British Consulate-General,
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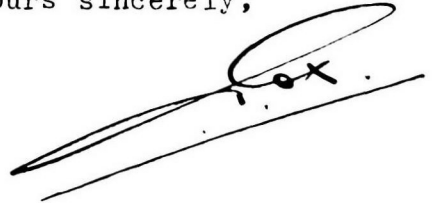
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S. A. ALGSTRY
No. S. H. D. 8608
Date 7 11 40

Dear Mr. Yorke,

Galina Pavlovna Rosling (née Morasova or Morozoff), Russian by birth, and British by marriage to a driver in the R.A.S.C., was deported from Los Angeles on March 8th, 1940, by S.S. "President Cleveland" due Hongkong April 6th.

I think this lady's name already appears in your files and I should be grateful if you would let me know if she turns up in Shanghai.

Yours sincerely,



R.W. Yorke, Esquire,
Shanghai Municipal Police,
SHANGHAI.

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Dear Mr. Cox,

I have to acknowledge receipt
of your letter dated April 2nd, 1940, regarding
the movements of Galina Pavlovna Rosling and
to inform you that the matter is receiving
attention.

Yours sincerely,

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A. T. Cox, Esq.,

H.B.M. Consulate-General,

Shanghai.

November 17

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Dear Mr. Heaney,

With reference to your letter dated
October 31, 1938, I forward herewith a [★]copy of
report regarding Mrs. Galina Rosling.

Yours sincerely,

*X 4 sets of Russian Bureau.
enclosed.
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R. S. Heaney, Esq.,

H.B.M. Consulate-General,

Shanghai.

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File No.

S.I, Special Branch, ~~XXXX~~

REPORT

Date November 17, 1938.

Subject: Communication dated 31-10-38 from the British Consulate-

General concerning Mrs. G.P. Rosling

Made by D.S.I. Prokofiev

Forwarded by

C. Gausford

Mrs. Galina Pavlovna ROSLING left Shanghai for Kobe on November 9, 1938 in the s.s. "Suwa Maru." Enquiries show that on or about November 4 she booked third class single passage to San Francisco, Cal., U.S.A., and that she intended to continue her voyage from Japan in the s.s. "Tatuta Maru" which was scheduled to sail from Kobe on November 12, 1938.

Particulars of a declaration form filled in by Mrs. Rosling when booking passage at the local office of the N.Y.K. Line are as follows :-

Name :	Mrs. Galina P. Rosling
Age :	26
Family status :	Married
Occupation :	Housewife
Nationality :	British
Race :	Russian
Place of birth :	Moscow, Russia.
Visa :	Immigration visa No.135 issued on 5-2-38 at Singapore, S.S.
Last place of permanent residence :	Singapore, S.S.
Next of kin :	Husband - Mr. A.R. Rosling, H.B.M. Forces (Barisa, near Singapore, S.S. ?)
Final destination :	San Francisco, Cal.
Purpose of trip:	To visit sister, Mrs. O. Smith, c/o Navy Hospital, San Francisco, Cal.
Proposed length of stay :	2 - 3 months.
Description :	Height - 5'3", fair complexion, light brown hair, blue eyes, no marks.

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Mrs. Rosling also stated that she had never been in America and that she did not intend to become an American citizen.

Enquiries have failed to locate her local address and nothing is known regarding her activities while in Shanghai.

C. P. K. K. K.

D. S. I.

D.C. (Special Branch).

DR
P.A. to D. C. (S. B.)



October 31, 1938.

Dear Mr. Robertson,

Reference the attached^{*} letter, you may recall that you kindly let us have a report on Mrs. Rosling in August last, and I should be grateful to know whether you have the information required by His Majesty's Consulate-General at Tientsin.

Yours sincerely,

R. S. Kennedy

T. Robertson, Esq.,
Shanghai Municipal Police,
SHANGHAI.

*D.S. 2. Referred
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C O P Y

British Consulate-General,
Tientsin.

26th October, 1933.

Dear Heaney,

Last August you sent me copy of a report from Section One of the Special Branch of the Municipal Police regarding Mrs. G.P. Rosling, nee Morasova. In this report it says that she arrived in Shanghai from Manila on August 15th in the s.s. "Conte Biancamano" and that her address was not then available. I shall be grateful if you will be so good as to ask the Police for any further information that may have come to light regarding this woman's whereabouts and activities.

Yours sincerely,

R.S. Heaney, Esquire, M.B.E.,
British Consulate-General,
Shanghai.

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File No.

Section 1, Special Branch 11/11/38
REPORT
Date August 17, 1938

Subject (in full) Mrs G.P. Rosling nee Morasova.

Made by D.S.I. Prokofiev.

Forwarded by

W. Legan

Mrs Galina Pavlovna Rosling nee Morasova, who forms the subject of the communication dated 16/6/38 from the British Consulate-General, arrived in Shanghai from Manila on August 15, 1938 in the s.s. "Conte Biancamano".

Her address in Shanghai is not yet available.

D.S.I.

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D.C. (Special Branch)

F.A. to D.C.

July 8

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Sir,

With reference to your letter dated
June 16, 1938, I forward herewith a ^{*}copy of
report concerning Mrs. Galina Rosling.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

** Enclosed.
Tu. 8/7*

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Deputy Commissioner,
(Special Branch)

R.S. Heaney, Esq., M.B.E.,

Vice Consul,

H.B.M. Consulate-General,

Shanghai.

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File No.

S. 1, Special Branch, Station,

REPORT

Date . July 7, 1938.

Subject..... Communication dated 16/6/38 from the British Consulate-General
concerning Mrs. G. P. Rosling nee Morasova.

Made by D.S.I. Prokofiev

Forwarded by

Diligent enquiries have failed to locate in Shanghai Mrs. Galina Pavlovna Roeling nee Morasova. Her name appears on the passenger list of the s.s. "TAKSANG" which arrived in Shanghai from Tientsin on or about December 28, 1937. A certain Mrs. V.B. Dobrovidoff, Russian, who travelled on board the same vessel, was located at 230 Route Vallon and interviewed in connection with the present enquiry. According to her, Mrs. Roeling during the course of casual conversation mentioned that she intended to stay in Shanghai for a short period only and then to proceed to Manila to join her husband. Mrs. Dobrovidoff also remembers having seen Mrs. Roeling some time early in January last in the restaurant "RUS", Route Pere Robert. Apart from this, Mrs. Dobrovidoff was unable to furnish any useful information on the subject, but promised to let the undersigned know if she saw Mrs. Roeling again.

Enquiries at the American Consulate-General show that on April 5, 1938 Mrs. Rosling applied at the American Consulate in Manila for a visa to the U.S.A., but that her application was refused "pending further evidence". In the attached report of the Tientsin Police dated 26/5/38, it is mentioned that Mrs. Rosling reported to the British Consulate-General in Manila the loss of her passport. Mr. Ward, the purser of the s.s. "TAKSANG," was interviewed on 27/6/38. He stated that about eight days previously he met Mr. Rosling in Tientsin and that the latter was also

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under the impression that his wife was in Manila. Thus, there appears to be no reason for doubt that the lady in question has visited Manila after her arrival in Shanghai. However, enquiries at various travel agencies and shipping companies have so far failed to ascertain the date of her departure from Shanghai or the date of her possible return to this city.

Places at which enquiries have been made in connection with this matter include the Russian Emigrants' Committee, the Council of United Russian Public Organization (SORO) and the boarding house sections of both the Municipal and French Police. From the attached report of the Tientsin Police, it would appear that there is very little likelihood of Mrs. Rosling being known locally, both under her present and her maiden name. Moreover, she has good reasons not to make her presence in Shanghai known.

One or two clues, which might be useful for obtaining information about Mrs. Rosling, could not be followed ~~up~~ owing to the fact that no photograph or description of the lady ~~are~~ available and that nothing is known regarding her possible connections in Shanghai.

D. S. I.

D. C. (Special Branch).

P. A. to D. C. (Sp. Br.)



PASSPORT & REGISTRATION OFFICE.
BRITISH CONSULATE-GENERAL,
P.O. BOX 259,
SHANGHAI.

16th June, 1938.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit herein a copy of a letter addressed to this Consulate-General by Mr. A. Rosling, a driver in the R.A.S.C. stationed at Tientsin, regarding his wife, Mrs. Galina Rosling. I also enclose a report on this lady by the Tientsin Municipal Police and I should be grateful for any information regarding her which you may be able to furnish.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

R. S. Heaney
Vice-Consul.

G.W. Gilbert, Esq.,
Deputy Commissioner of Police,
Shanghai Municipal Council,
SHANGHAI.



C O P Y

To-
British Consul General
SHANGHAI

From-
T/56375 Driver Rosling A.
Detachment R.A.S.C.
c/o Army Field Post Office
TIENTSIN.

April 30th, 1938.

Sir,

I would be greatly obliged if you would kindly forward to me the address of my wife Mrs. Galina Rosling, I given to understand that she is now living in Shanghai.

My wife left Tientsin on December 23rd, 1937 on her own accord, I had given her my consent previously to take a holiday at Hong-Kong and I informed her that she should let me make the necessary arrangements for her passage to Hong-Kong as being a soldier's wife she could travel Military rate, I made enquiries for her at Butterfield & Swires Offices at Tientsin and made arrangements for her to see the person concerned at that office. In the meantime she must have made arrangements unknown to me elsewhere as she sailed unknown to me on the "SS TAKSANG" owned by the "China Navigation Company".

As my duty kept me away from my wife from 7:30 a.m. until 7:30 p.m. I was quite unaware that she had any intentions of going away on the day she went December 23rd. 1938. When I arrived home from duty at 7:30 p.m. on December 23rd, my wife was not at home and I found a note saying that she was sorry that she had had to go away in such a hurry as the ship she was sailing on was leaving earlier than she had expected and if she did not sail on that particular ship she would lose her passage money, she also stated that she had sailed on a Japanese ship and had gone to Hong-Kong and would be away from Tientsin for one month only. On January 12th. 1938. I received a letter from my wife from Shanghai dated January 6th 1938. stating that

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she was sailing from Shanghai the next day for Paris and England and that her relations at Paris had sent her the money for her passage, I consulted the shipping notices to see if it had been possible for her to sail and I found that it not possible for her to leave Shanghai that day. At the same time I made enquiries at all the Shipping Companies in Tientsin to see by what boat she had left Tientsin by and as I have stated above she sailed on the "SS TAKSANG" travelling 1st class Chinese passage without food 45 (Dollars) and that she had booked her passage to Shanghai and not Hong-Kong.

I informed my Officer Commanding about the matter at once and the matter was placed in the hands of the British Municipal Police who obtained all the necessary information they required about my wife from myself, I have not yet received any information from the police as regards the where-a-bouts of my wife.

On February 19th 1938 the "SS TAKSANG" arrived at Tientsin Bund, and I decided to enquire from the ship's officers if they could remember my wife travelling on the ship on its journey to Shanghai and Hong-Kong. The Purser Mr. Ward was the only one who remembered her, I informed him of the object of my enquiries and he kindly volunteered to do anything he could to assist me in any way during his return journey to Shanghai. I asked him to ascertain if my wife was still in Shanghai and I gave him a letter to deliver to her personally, the "SS TAKSANG" sailed from Tientsin on February 21st. 1938. When the ship returned to Tientsin again I again saw Mr. Ward and he informed me that he had been to the Consular Offices at Shanghai to ascertain the address of my wife and that the Consular staff informed him that it was against the regulations to give him the address but he was told that if he left the letter it would be forwarded on to my wife since the letter has been delivered I have not yet received any answer.

With a view of coming to Shanghai myself to attend to the matter I would be greatly obliged if you would forward me her

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address and if possible that she will not be allowed to leave the port until I ascertained her intentions.

I am

Sir,

Your Obedient

Driver R.A.S.C.

(Signed) A ROSLING.

C O P Y

BRITISH MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

TIENTSIN.

Police Department

No. 57/35

Council Offices,

Tientsin.

26th May, 1938.

M. C. Robbette, Esquire,
British Consulate-General,
TIENTSIN.

Dear Sir,

I forward herewith the information required by you re GALINA PAVLOVA ROSLING nee MORASOVA.

The actual date of her arrival in China is unknown but according to her own statement she escaped across the border near Pogranichnaya, being the only survivor of the party that attempted that escape from Soviet Russia. She then stayed in Harbin where she was employed as a milliner, but upon her appearance in Harbin it was rumoured that she was an agent of the ~~C.P.U.~~ Her exact date of arrival in Tientsin is unknown but shortly after her arrival in Tientsin she was living with a French Military Sergeant (Artillery) name unknown.

In about April, 1936, Morasova commenced to live with an American Radio Sergeant attached to the 15th Infantry named SHELDON or SHELDON, from whom, it is alleged, she obtained information which she supplied to the local Soviet Consulate. After co-habiting with him for 10 months they quarrelled and Morasova left for Hankow, but, however, soon returned to Tientsin and stayed at 309 Race Course Road. This was about 10th April, 1937.

Sheldon patched up their quarrel and continued to visit her there for a short period as in May, 1937, he was sent back to America.

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On the 30th or 31st May, 1937, Morasova left for Chefoo with a certain woman ~~WILLIAM WELLS~~, a Russian who was living with an American N.C.O. of the 15th Infantry named WELLS who had also left for America. The last address known of this soldier is, W.M. Wells, Box 203, Gaffney, South Carolina. After staying in Chefoo for about one month Morasova returned to Tientsin and lived in a Chinese boarding house in Oxford Road. While she was staying at 309, Race Course Road she became friendly with the wife of an American Medical Officer named Ford, who together with the whole family left for Manila on the 3rd July, 1937. Morasova continued correspondence with Mrs. Ford and later informed people that Mrs. Ford had been divorced in Manila and had proceeded to Singapore and had invited her to stay with her for a time. Several times Morasova stated that she intended to go to Singapore and visit Mrs. Ford. During the whole of her stay in Tientsin Morasova was not employed in any capacity yet always appeared to be in funds. It was during her stay at the boarding house in Oxford Road that she became acquainted with Private Rosling. At the beginning of the local hostilities Morasova was very nervous and continually expressed her fear, (quite easily understood if she was working for G.I.V.)

On September 6, 1937 she married Rosling at the Russian church, no registration at the Consulate being made but full details were registered with the British Military. Her age given at the time of marriage was 25. After the wedding she quite freely said that now she had nothing to fear as she was a British Subject and held a British Passport, and openly boasted that she married Rosling for that purpose, i.e. to get a British Passport.

As already know Mrs. Rosling left Tientsin on the

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27th November, 1937, for Shanghai on the pretext of visiting relatives there. No money for her passage was given to her by Rosling, who stated that he was always under the impression that she had money hidden away in some bank or other in Hinkain and that she could not possibly have saved her passage money out of the allowance he gave her. The news from the Cons late-General at Manila stating that she had reported the loss of her passport rather tends to show that she was attempting to get to Singapore, and in view of the foregoing I am afraid there is little doubt that she is working for some person or other, probably the Soviet Government, and her activities in that area will be well worth watching.

Any further information that I can obtain I will submit to you without delay.

Yours faithfully,

(Signed) T. F. H. ROBINSON.

DEPUTY CHIEF OF POLICE
British Municipal Council
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